

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 429

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Aida Rhoda Brooks, who has been named president of the Liberian Association of Greater Houston; and

**WHEREAS**, Aida Brooks was born in Kigali, Rwanda, on August 18, 1955, and relocated to Liberia in 1963; there, she was adopted by Angie Elizabeth Brooks; she graduated from high school in Liberia and began her higher education at the University of Liberia; and

**WHEREAS**, Because of civil war in Liberia, she immigrated to the United States, and she finished her education at Queens University in Queens, New York; and

**WHEREAS**, With her innovative and entrepreneurial spirit, she was soon the owner of an African restaurant, which flourished and enabled her to open another business, an African art gallery, in Hempstead, New York; Aida never forgot her Liberian home, and each year, she returns to Liberia to volunteer and support the community; and

**WHEREAS**, She moved to Houston in 2004 to provide support for her ailing mother, and she soon got involved with the Liberian community in Houston; with her special talent for creating relationships, building alliances, and motivating others, she quickly became a leader in the Houston Liberian community, and she recently took office as president of the Liberian Association of Greater Houston; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby congratulate Aida R. Brooks on her selection as president of the Liberian Association of Greater Houston and extend to her best wishes for continued success in all her future endeavors; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 2, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate